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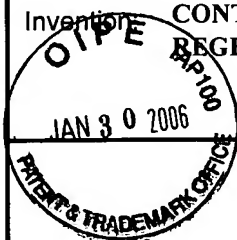
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This Amendment and Response is in reply to the non-final Office Action mailed January 17, 2006, setting a shortened statutory period for response of April 17, 2006. Any fees due may be charged to deposit account No. 18-2284.

The style of this Amendment and follows the Notice in the Federal Register of June 30, 2003 (68 FR 38611-38630) amending 37 CFR 1.121.

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